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Foochow

1. At 1900 hours [redacted] six motorized junks berthed near Mawei (N 25-59, E 119-27) and discharged a quantity of arms or ammunition. There were several antiaircraft guns on the hills near Mawei naval base. Troops occupied 12 tents located near the guns.

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2. [redacted]

3. [redacted] at Foochow, armed motor junks and harbor launches were camouflaged with branches.

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4. [redacted] there were daily alerts at Foochow that lasted about 20 or 30 minutes each. Ships' crews at Foochow were required to return to their ships at 1900 hours daily; during alerts, crew members were required to remain in their cabins.

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Shanghai

5. [redacted] about 80 motor launches were in the vicinity of Buoy 21, Shanghai.¹ These launches had a speed of about 20 knots and were armed with two machine guns forward and two aft.² Two groups of 30 launches each conducted training exercises in the mornings [redacted] while the [redacted] remaining twenty launches stayed at their moorings along the river.

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6. [redacted] the destroyer NAN CH'ANG (0589/2490) and another destroyer of about 1,000 tons were anchored at the Shanghai military district anchorage. The NAN CH'ANG was armed with two 4-inch guns, one fore and one aft, and four antiaircraft guns. Four landing craft, HO PING [redacted] were berthed at the same location; these landing craft displaced about 1,200 tons each.³

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7. [redacted] 25X1

8. [redacted] two or three swept-wing jet aircraft flew over
Shanghai several times a day. 25X1

1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] estimated 25X1
each launch to be 150 feet in length.

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2. The motor launches may have been LCI's and LCT's. The speed and the number
of the craft have probably been overestimated.

3. Previous sighting reports indicate that the PF NAN CH'ANG [redacted] is 25X1
normally based at Shanghai. The HO PING's [redacted] are all 25X1
ex-United States LST's, 3327 gross tons, now running between Shanghai and
North China ports.

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